

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (**Currently Amended**) A method of aging a plasma display panel containing a scan electrode, a sustain electrode, and a data electrode, the method comprising:

when applying a voltage having an alternating voltage component at least between the scan electrode and the sustain electrode to perform an aging discharge. applying discharge; and
~~— applying, after a predetermined time period from a rising time of the voltage having the alternating voltage component applied at least between the scan electrode and the sustain electrode,~~
an erase discharge-suppressing voltage for suppressing an erase discharge that occurs after the aging discharge to at least one of the scan electrode and electrode, the sustain electrode, and the data electrode at a predetermined moment in each period when the scan electrode has a voltage level that is higher than that of the sustain electrode and when the sustain electrode has a voltage level that is higher than that of the scan electrode.

Claim 2 (**Currently Amended**) The method of aging the plasma display panel of Claim 1, wherein ~~the applying of the erase discharge-suppressing voltage comprises applying the erase discharge-suppressing voltage to the data electrode~~ is applied in each period to only one of the sustain electrode and the scan electrode which has the higher voltage level.

Claim 3 (**Currently Amended**) The method of aging the plasma display panel of Claim 1, wherein ~~the erase discharge-suppressing voltage the applying of the voltage having the alternating voltage component at least between~~ is applied to one of the scan electrode and the sustain electrode ~~comprises one of increasing voltage applied to the scan electrode and decreasing voltage applied to the sustain electrode.~~

Claim 4 (**Currently Amended**) A method of aging a plasma display panel containing a scan electrode, a sustain electrode, and a data electrode, the method comprising:

when applying a voltage having an alternating voltage component at least between the scan electrode and the sustain electrode to perform an aging discharge, ~~wherein the applying of the voltage having the alternating voltage component at least between the scan electrode and the~~

~~sustain electrode comprises one of increasing voltage applied to the scan electrode and decreasing voltage applied to the sustain electrode; and~~

~~———applying an erase discharge-suppressing voltage for suppressing an erase discharge that occurs after the aging discharge to the data electrode, wherein the voltage for suppressing the erase discharge is higher at an aging discharge generating moment when the aging discharge occurs than at an erase discharge generating moment when the erase discharge occurs after the aging discharge at a predetermined moment in a period when the scan electrode has a voltage level that is higher than that of the sustain electrode.~~

Claim 5 (**Currently Amended**) The method of aging the plasma display panel of Claim 2, 4, ~~wherein the applying of the voltage having the alternating voltage component at least between the scan electrode and the sustain electrode comprises one of increasing voltage applied to the scan electrode and decreasing voltage applied to the sustain electrode~~ the applying of the erase discharge-suppressing voltage further includes applying the erase discharge-suppressing voltage to the data electrode at a predetermined moment in a period when the sustain electrode has a voltage level that is higher than that of the scan electrode.

Claim 6 (**New**) The method of aging the plasma display panel of Claim 1, wherein the predetermined moment is a moment when the erase discharge occurs.

Claim 7 (**New**) The method of aging the plasma display panel of Claim 4, wherein a voltage level of the data electrode at a time when the aging discharge occurs is higher than a voltage level of the data electrode at a time when the erase discharge occurs, in a period when the scan electrode has a voltage level that is higher than that of the sustain electrode.

Claim 8 (**New**) The method of aging the plasma display panel of Claim 5, wherein a voltage level of the data electrode at a time when the aging discharge occurs is higher than a voltage level of the data electrode at a time when the erase discharge occurs, in a period when the sustain electrode has a voltage level that is higher than that of the scan electrode.